

I urge you to vote in favor of house bill #488, to enable school districts that consolidated prior to the repeal of 20-6-205, the ability to petition for changes in their boundaries.

In my opinion the legislature should not have amended this law in the first place. In doing so it changed the original purpose of the law and therefore took away the avenue for people of some school districts the ability to realign district boundaries to fit today's travel, community and school backing patterns.

In my school district the petitioning out process was tried and derailed before the process could be completed. I just want a chance to play by the rules that we were following to start with.

In my opinion if you pass house bill #488, this could help with some of the school funding problems that you face. It would make some schools that are struggling with enrollment and funding, team up with larger schools that too are facing the same problems.

If you fail to pass this bill, you will be dictating the outcome of some school districts and I do not believe that is your decision to make.

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